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Cernocky ET AL.	)	Examiner: H. A. BLACKNER
Serial No. 09/896,432	)	August 5, 2003
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETONATING AN EXPLOSIVE CHARGE	)	

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RESPONSE

The following remarks and amendments are in response to an Office action mailed on April 22, 2003 in the prosecution of the above-identified US patent application. Reconsideration of this application, and allowance of the claims in view of these amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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